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PATENT APPLICATION 10/099,824

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

in the Application of:

Charles L. Wallace et al.

Serial No.:

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Date Filed:

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313 I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as Express Mail No. EV352443603US addressed to: Mail Stop – Petitions, Commissioner of Patents, Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 223131450 on March 9, 2006.

Michael Wasaff

Dear Sir:

PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.313(c)(2)

Applicants hereby petition for the withdrawal of this application from issue in order for the Request for Continued Examination (RCE) being filed concurrently with this Petition be considered.

PATENT NOTIFICATION

The Issue Fee has not been paid in this case.

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REASONS FOR WITHDRAWAL REQUEST

Applicants request that the application be withdrawn from issue to permit the filing of a Request for Continued Examination and Amendment filed concurrently with the Petition, and for consideration of references in the Information Disclosure Statement and PTO Form 1449 also filed herewith.

PETITION FEES

Checks in the amounts of \$130.00 and \$790.00 are enclosed for the Petition fee and RCE fee, respectively. Applicants believe no further fees are due; however the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 50-2148 of BAKER BOTTS L.L.P.

If there are any matters concerning this Application that may be cleared up in a telephone conversation, please contact Applicants' attorney at 512.322.2689.

Respectfully submitted,

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Date: March 9, 2006

Attached:

- 1) Request for Continued Examination Transmittal
- 2) Request for Continued Examination and Amendment
- 3) Information Disclosure Statement and PTO Form 1449